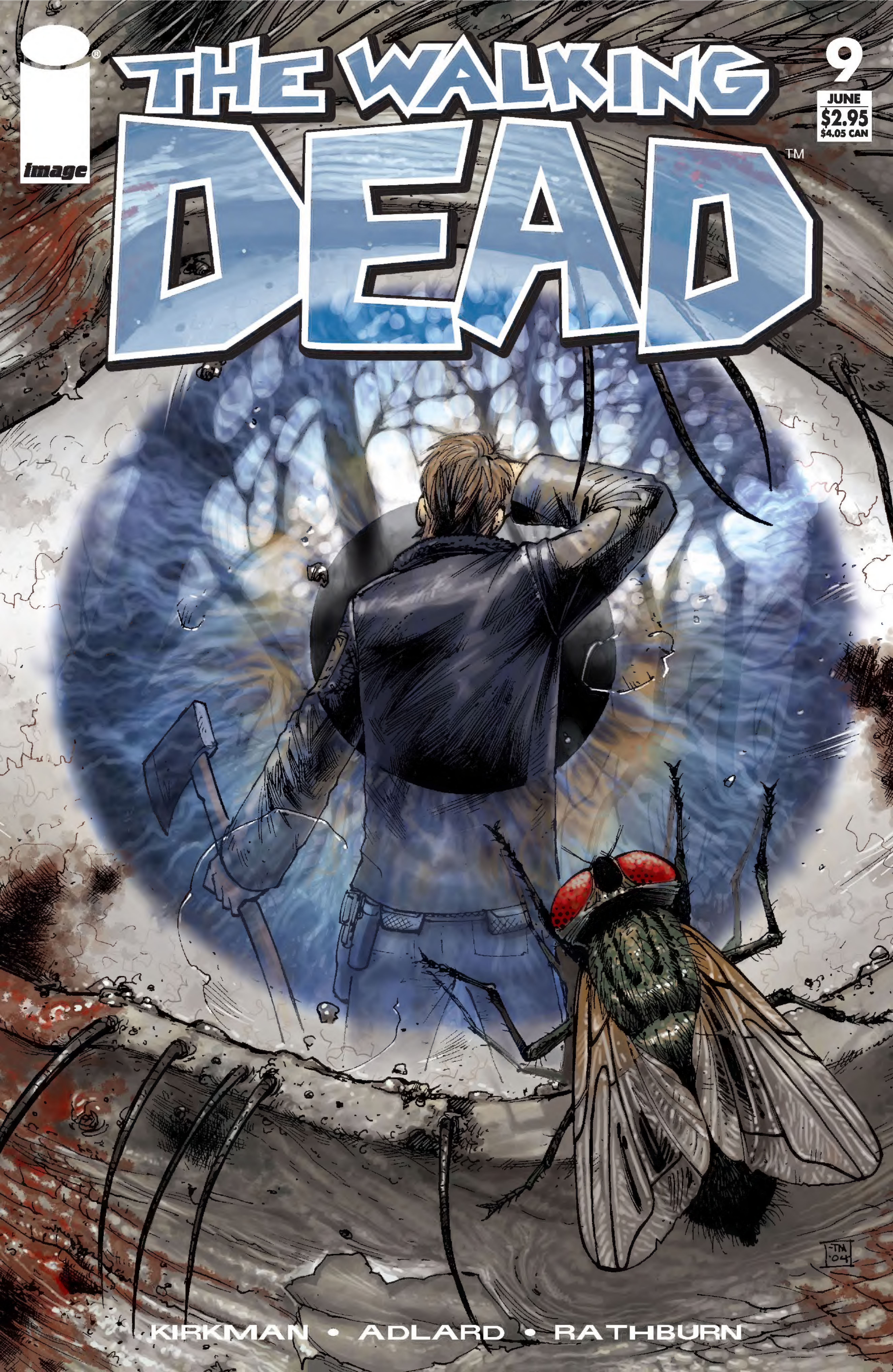




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SHHH

YOU'LL  
WAKE HIM  
UP.



OH, SORRY.  
HOW LONG HAVE  
YOU BEEN  
UP?



A FEW MINUTES...  
A HALF HOUR, I  
WASN'T REALLY  
KEEPING TRACK.  
NOT TOO  
LONG.

LOOK  
AT HIM, SO  
PEACEFUL.  
HE HASN'T  
SLEPT LIKE  
THIS SINCE WE  
LEFT HARRISON  
COUNTY.



I CAN'T  
IMAGINE HOW  
HARD ALL THIS  
HAS BEEN ON HIM,  
SHANE---JIM AND  
AMY... ALL OF IT.  
HELL, LORI... I  
DON'T KNOW HOW  
I'M COPING  
WITH IT.

THAT'S WHAT I'VE  
BEEN THINKING ABOUT.  
THIS NEW BABY WILL  
NEVER KNOW WHAT THE  
WORLD WAS LIKE, HELL...  
CARL WON'T REALLY  
REMEMBER **MUCH**  
OF IT **HIMSELF**  
BEFORE TOO  
LONG.

HE'LL  
NEVER  
KNOW WHAT  
IT'S LIKE TO  
GET HIS  
**DRIVER'S**  
**LICENSE**, OR  
GO SEE A  
MOVIE WITH  
A GIRL.



RICK, DO YOU  
THINK WE'LL  
**EVER** BE  
ABLE TO FIX  
EVERYTHING?



I  
DON'T  
KNOW.

I  
HOPE  
SO.









WHAT ARE YOU THINKING?

I DIDN'T KNOW YOU WERE AWAKE.

SURPRISE.



I WAS JUST THINKING ABOUT ANDREA AND DALE... THEY BOTH LOST SOMEONE THEY **LOVED**... SOMEONE VERY **CLOSE** TO THEM. IT HIT THEM HARD, WE SAW THAT... BUT THEY EVENTUALLY PULLED OUT OF IT. SEEING THEM **TOGETHER** LAST NIGHT--THEY'RE **HAPPY**.

SEEING THEM--KNOWING THAT THEY CAN PUT THEIR LIVES BACK TOGETHER... IT GIVES ME **HOPE**.

AND THEN THERE'S **THIS** PLACE... A CHANCE TO **START OVER**. A NEW PLACE... ALL TO OURSELVES, AND IF **HALF** OF THE HOUSES IN THIS NEIGHBORHOOD ARE AS NICE AS THIS ONE WE'LL ALL BE **HAPPY**. THIS PLACE--IT'S **PERFECT**.

I THINK WE CAN BE **HAPPY** HERE.

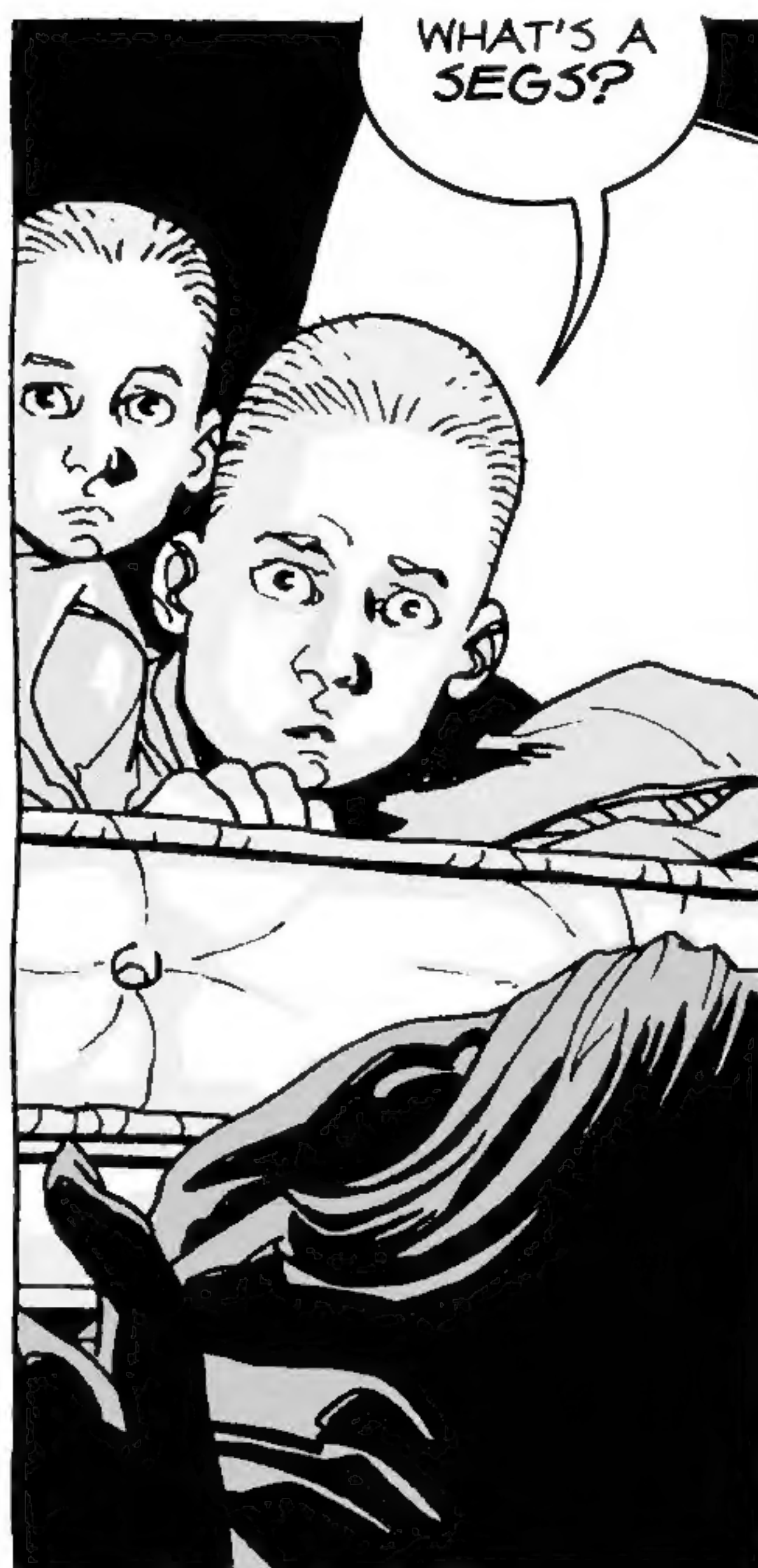
...AND EVERYONE WE'RE WITH. THEY'RE **GOOD PEOPLE**. I CAN'T **BELIEVE** WE STUMBLED INTO FINDING PEOPLE LIKE THEM. WE COULDN'T **ASK** FOR BETTER NEIGHBORS.

WE'RE **REALLY** LUCKY.



YOU'RE **RIGHT**. IF THIS WORKS OUT WE'VE GOT IT **MADE**. IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE I'VE SEEN YOU THIS **HAPPY**, **DONNA**.

YOU WANT TO HAVE **SEX**?

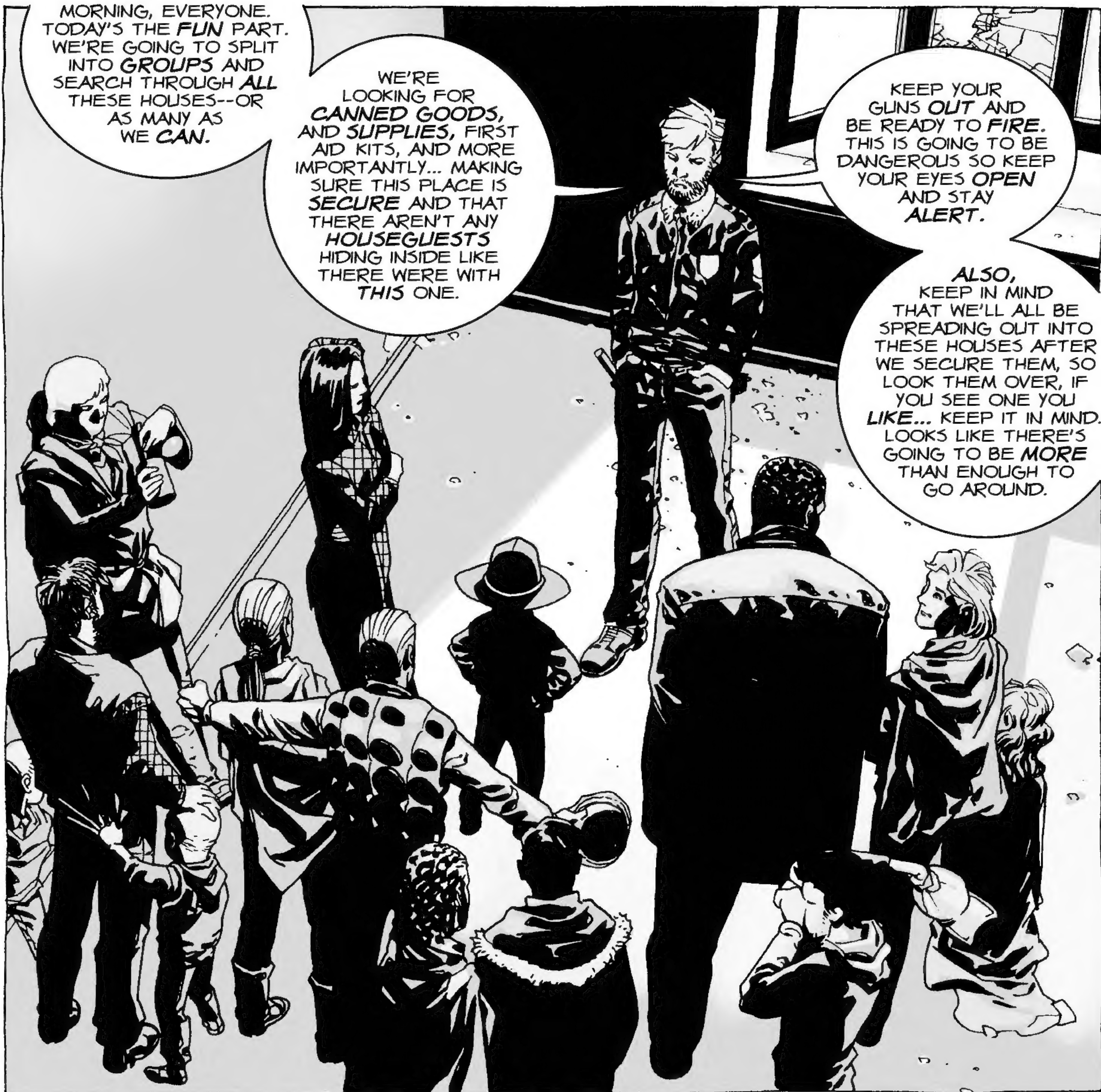


WHAT'S A **SEGS**?



**THAT** ANSWER YOUR QUESTION?





MORNING, EVERYONE. TODAY'S THE **FUN** PART. WE'RE GOING TO SPLIT INTO **GROUPS** AND SEARCH THROUGH **ALL** THESE HOUSES--OR AS MANY AS WE **CAN**.

WE'RE LOOKING FOR **CANNED GOODS**, AND **SUPPLIES**, FIRST AID KITS, AND MORE IMPORTANTLY... MAKING SURE THIS PLACE IS **SECURE** AND THAT THERE AREN'T ANY **HOUSEGUESTS** HIDING INSIDE LIKE THERE WERE WITH **THIS ONE**.

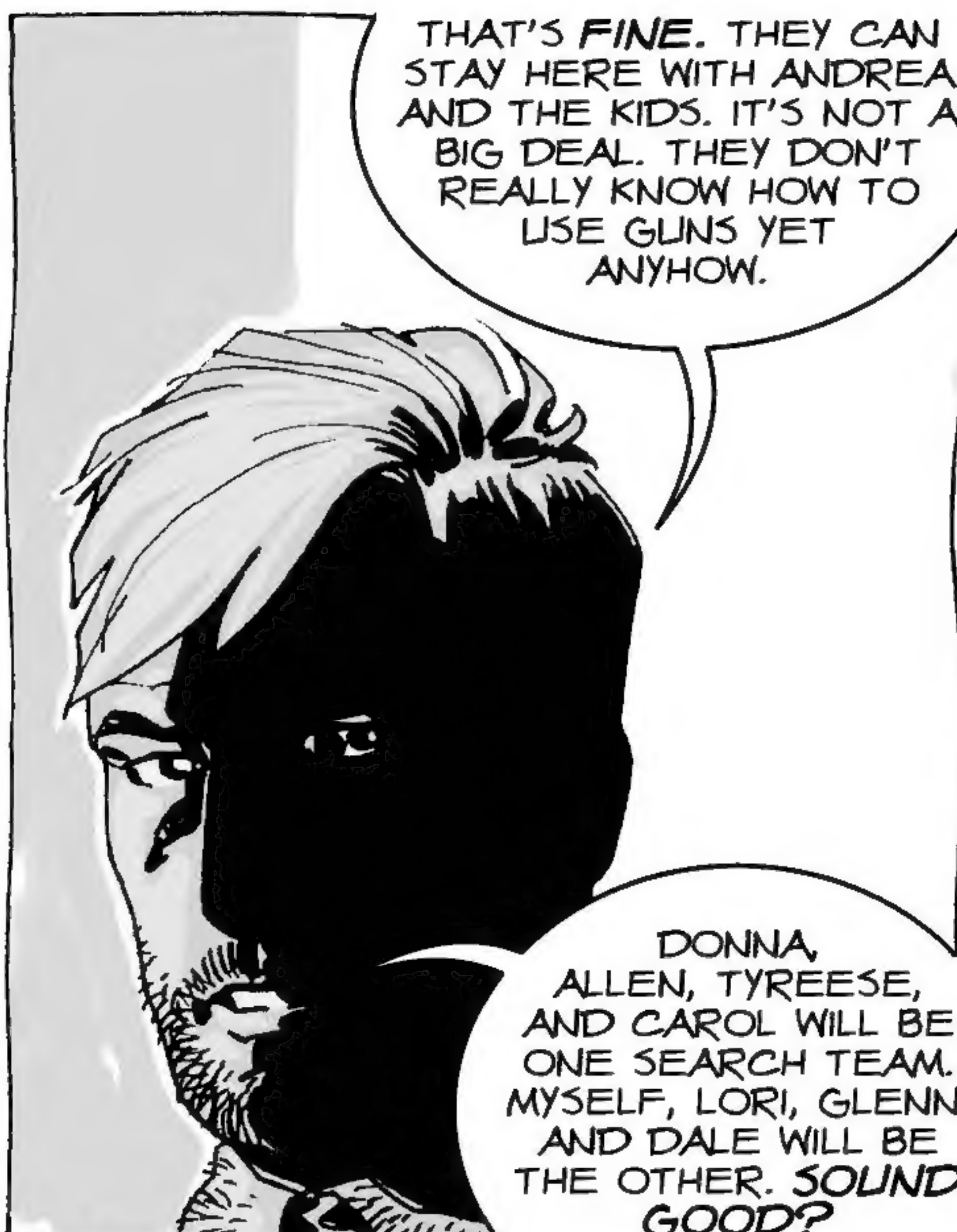
KEEP YOUR **GUNS OUT** AND BE READY TO **FIRE**. THIS IS GOING TO BE DANGEROUS SO KEEP YOUR EYES OPEN AND STAY **ALERT**.

**ALSO**, KEEP IN MIND THAT WE'LL ALL BE SPREADING OUT INTO THESE HOUSES AFTER WE SECURE THEM, SO LOOK THEM OVER, IF YOU SEE ONE YOU **LIKE...** KEEP IT IN MIND. LOOKS LIKE THERE'S GOING TO BE **MORE** THAN ENOUGH TO GO AROUND.



DAD, CAN CHRIS AND I STAY HERE? WE'RE **SCARED**. WE DON'T WANT TO GO SEARCHING THROUGH DARK HOUSES.

PLEASE?



THAT'S **FINE**. THEY CAN STAY HERE WITH ANDREA AND THE KIDS. IT'S NOT A BIG DEAL. THEY DON'T REALLY KNOW HOW TO USE GUNS YET ANYHOW.

DONNA, ALLEN, TYREESE, AND CAROL WILL BE ONE SEARCH TEAM. MYSELF, LORI, GLENN, AND DALE WILL BE THE OTHER. **SOUND GOOD?**



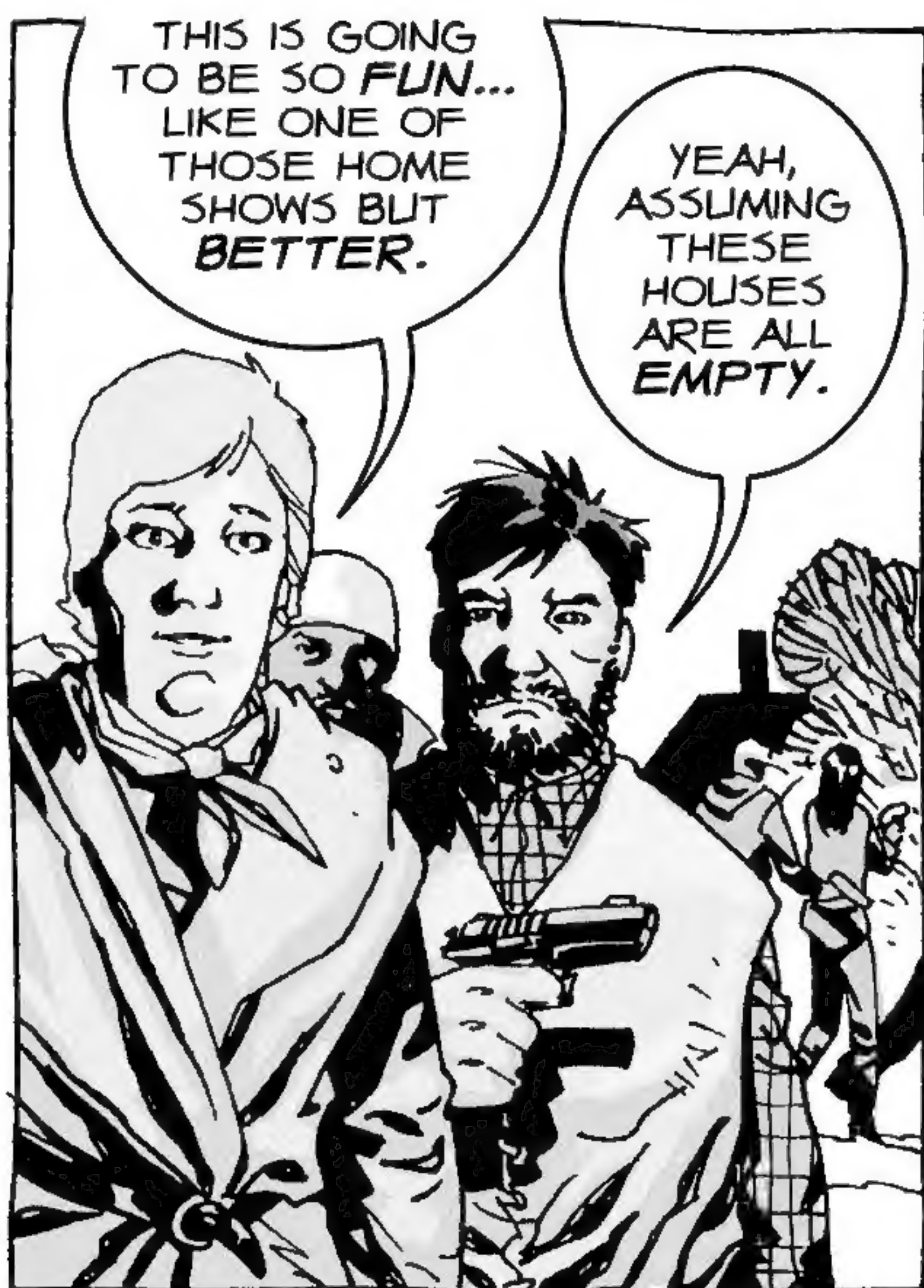
OKAY. I'M GOING TO GO GET TYREESE A **GUN** OUT OF THE RV.





MY TEAM, LET'S  
START ACROSS THE  
STREET. TYREESE,  
YOUR CREW WILL  
TAKE NEXT DOOR.  
I'LL BE RIGHT  
BACK WITH THAT  
GUN.

SWEEP  
THE YARDS  
REAL QUICK.  
JUST GIVE  
THEM A ONCE  
OVER BEFORE  
WE GO IN THE  
HOUSES.



THIS IS GOING  
TO BE SO **FUN**...  
LIKE ONE OF  
THOSE HOME  
SHOWS BUT  
**BETTER**.

YEAH,  
ASSUMING  
THESE  
HOUSES  
ARE ALL  
**EMPTY**.



CAROL AND I  
ARE GOING TO  
CHECK THE  
**BACKYARD**.  
SHOULDN'T  
TAKE A  
SECOND.



OKAY. WE'LL  
GO CHECK  
AROUND  
BY THE  
GARAGE.

**ACTUALLY.**  
I'M GOING  
TO GET  
A PEEK  
INSIDE.

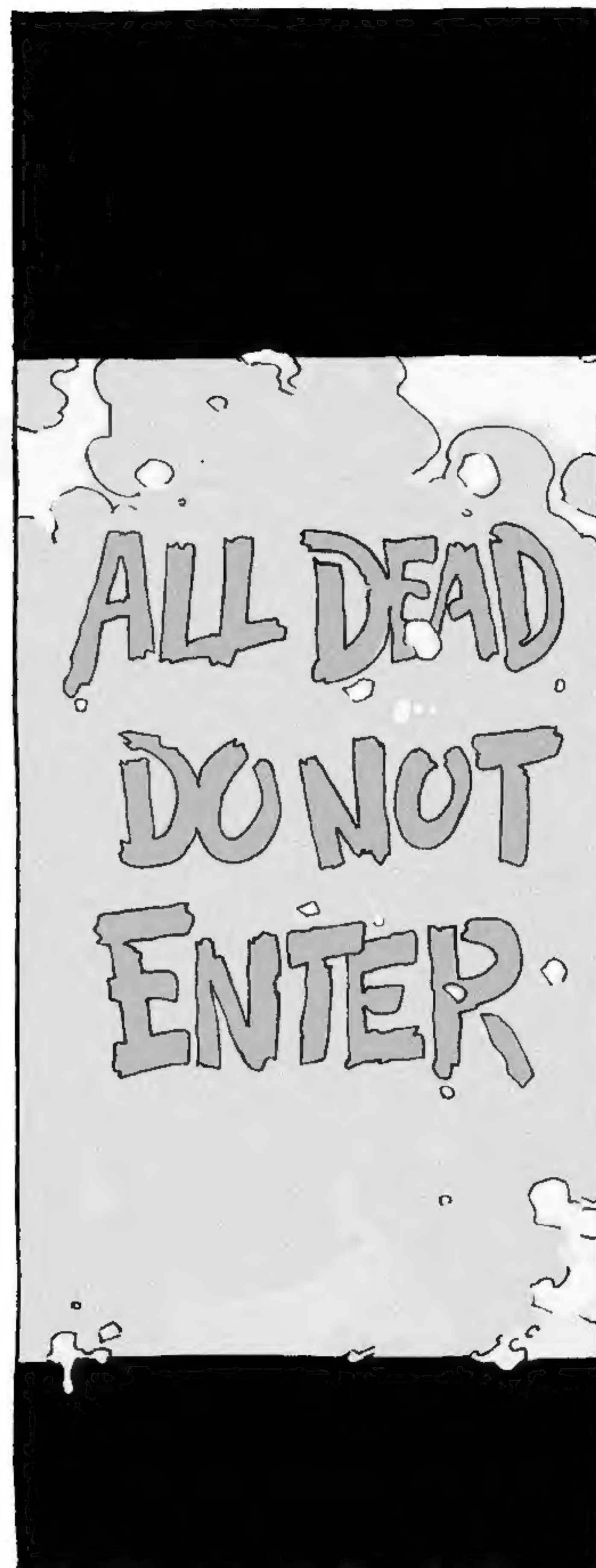


BE CAREFUL, HON'.  
DON'T GO ALL THE  
WAY IN YET. JUST  
LOOK IN THE WINDOWS  
OR SOMETHING. WAIT  
UNTIL TYREESE HAS  
HIS GUN AND  
WE CAN ALL  
GO IN.



YOU  
WORRY  
TOO  
MUCH.















WE NEED  
TO GET OUT  
OF HERE.  
NOW.



WHAT? WHAT  
DO YOU MEAN?  
IS SOMETHING  
GOING ON?



YES. WE NEED TO  
BE IN THE RV AND  
OUT OF HERE  
RIGHT NOW.



OH,  
SHIT!

GO! GET  
EVERYONE  
INTO THE RV.  
I'LL GET  
ALLEN.



ALLEN! WE  
NEED TO GO  
NOW!



NO. I CAN'T--  
NOT WITHOUT  
HER. JUST  
LEAVE ME  
RICK.

LEAVE  
ME  
HERE.



NO, GODDAMMIT!!  
THINK OF YOUR KIDS,  
ALLEN! THEY NEED A  
FATHER! THEY NEED  
YOU! NOW MORE  
THAN EVER!

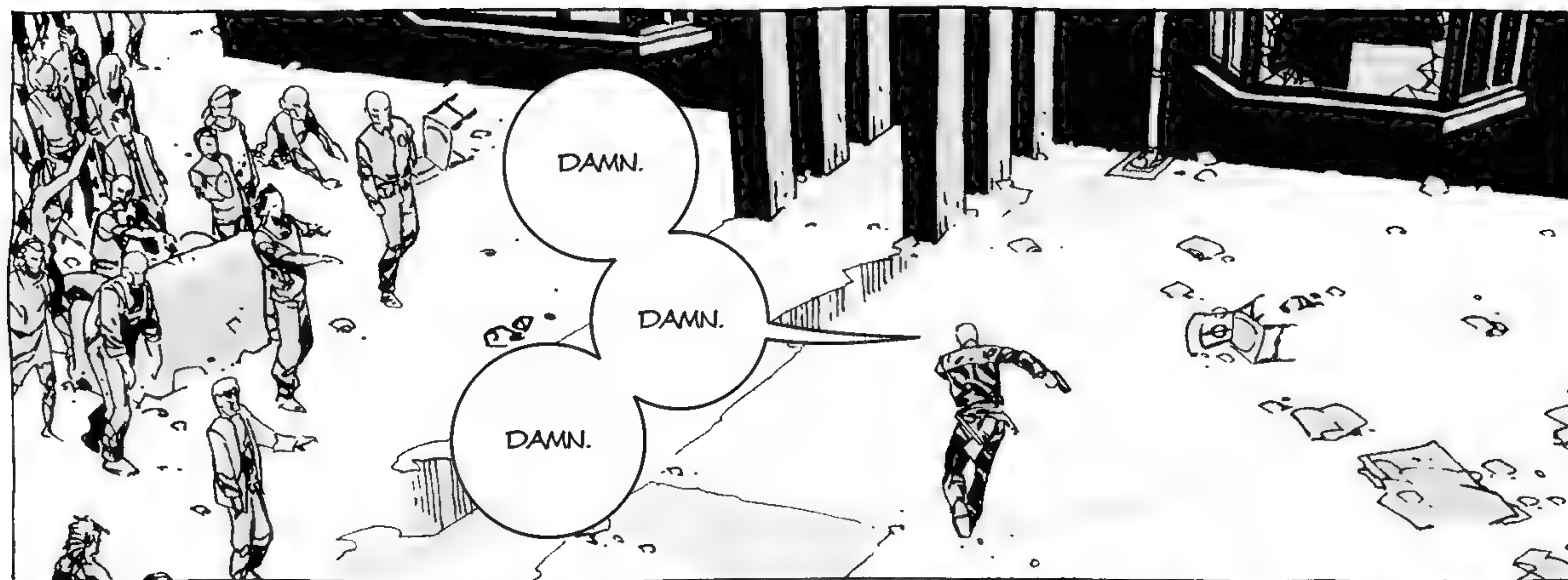
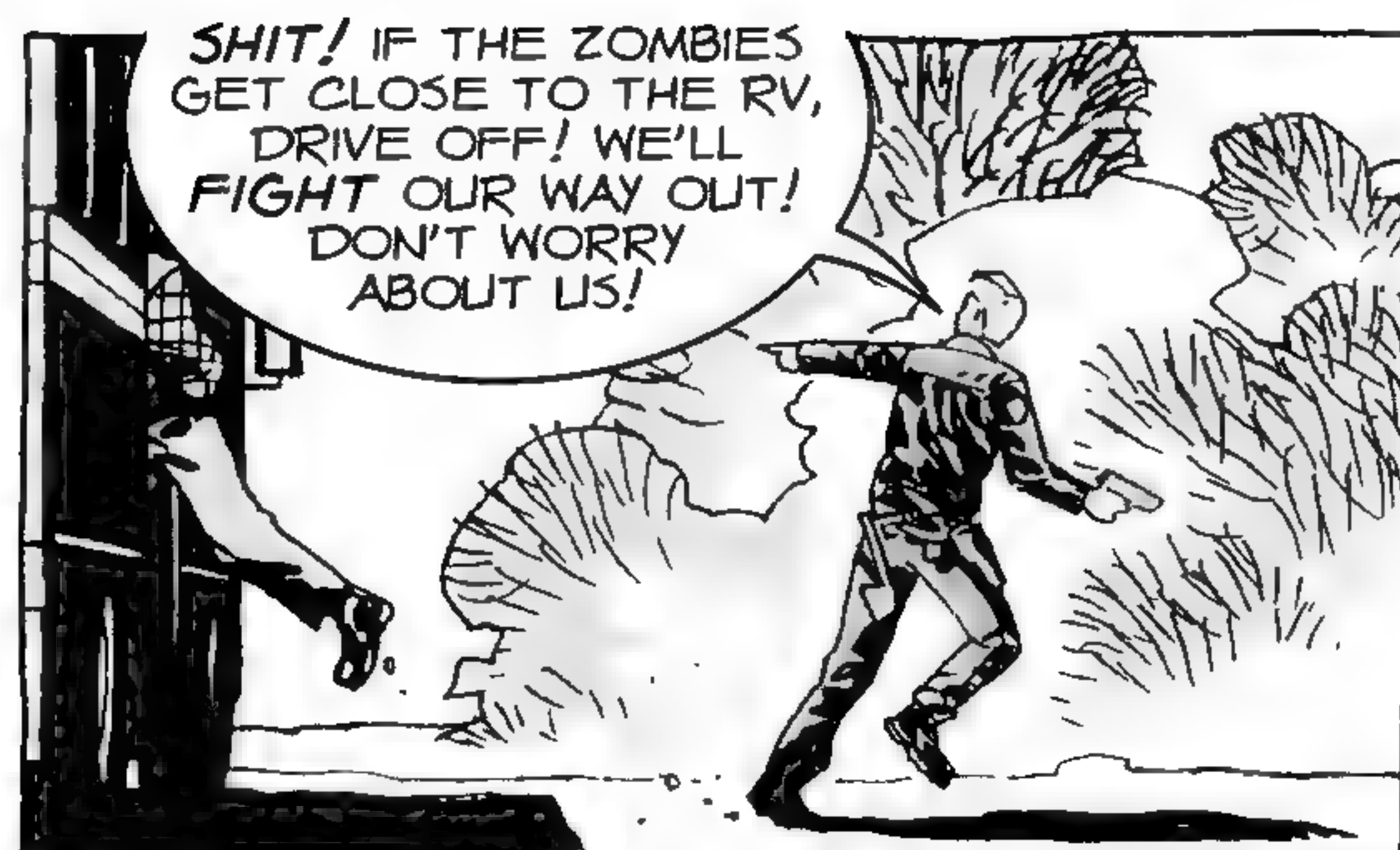
I  
WON'T  
LEAVE  
YOU  
HERE.







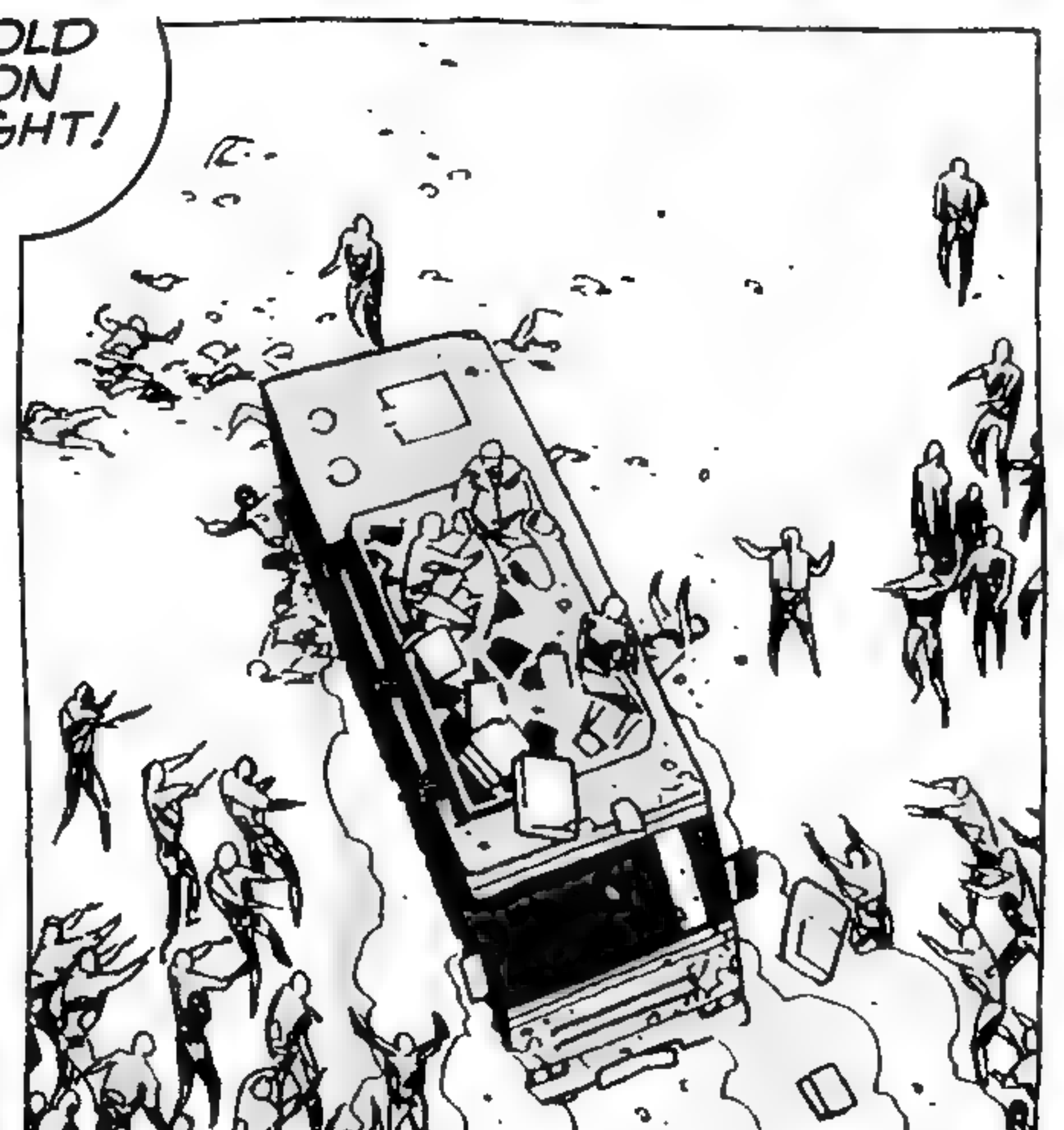
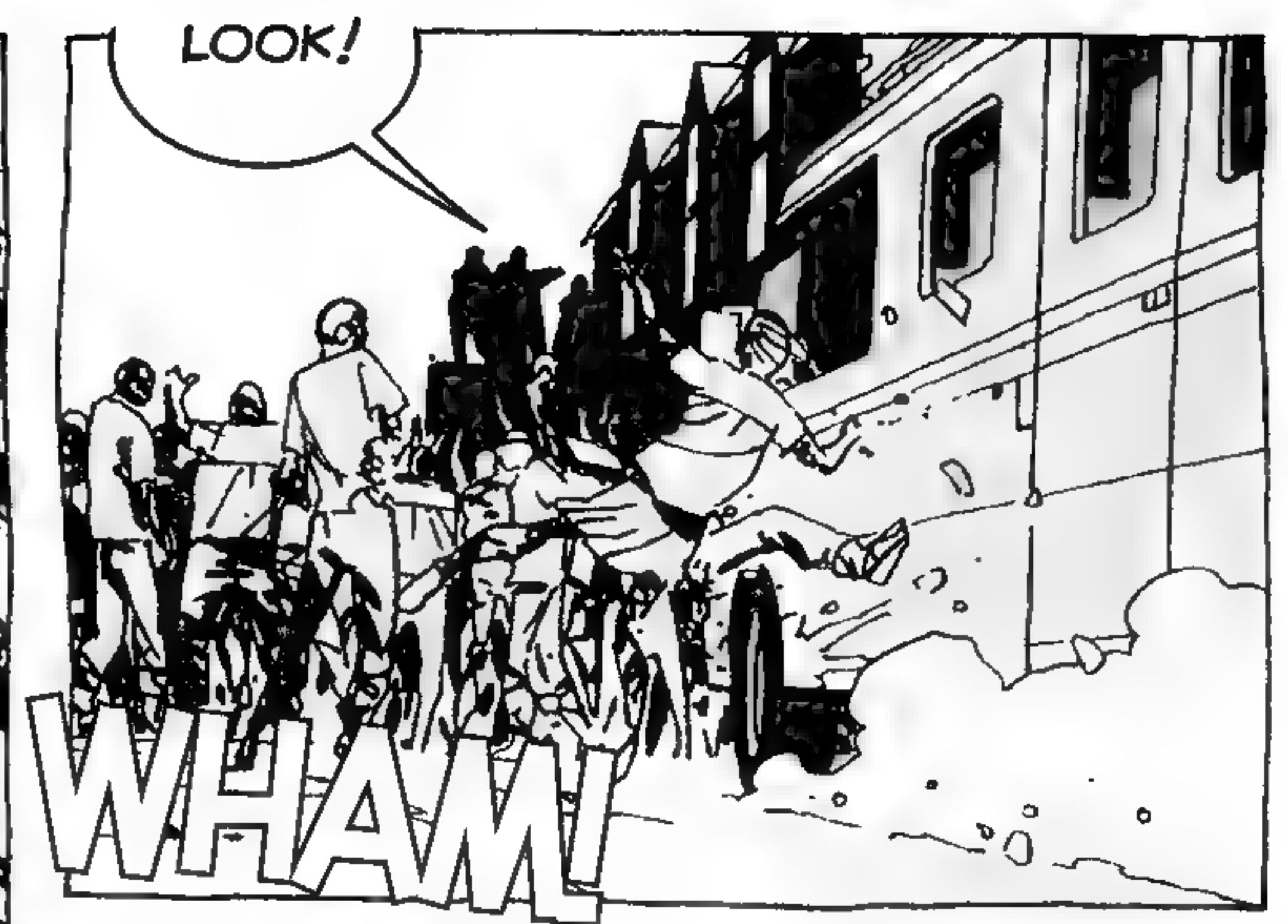




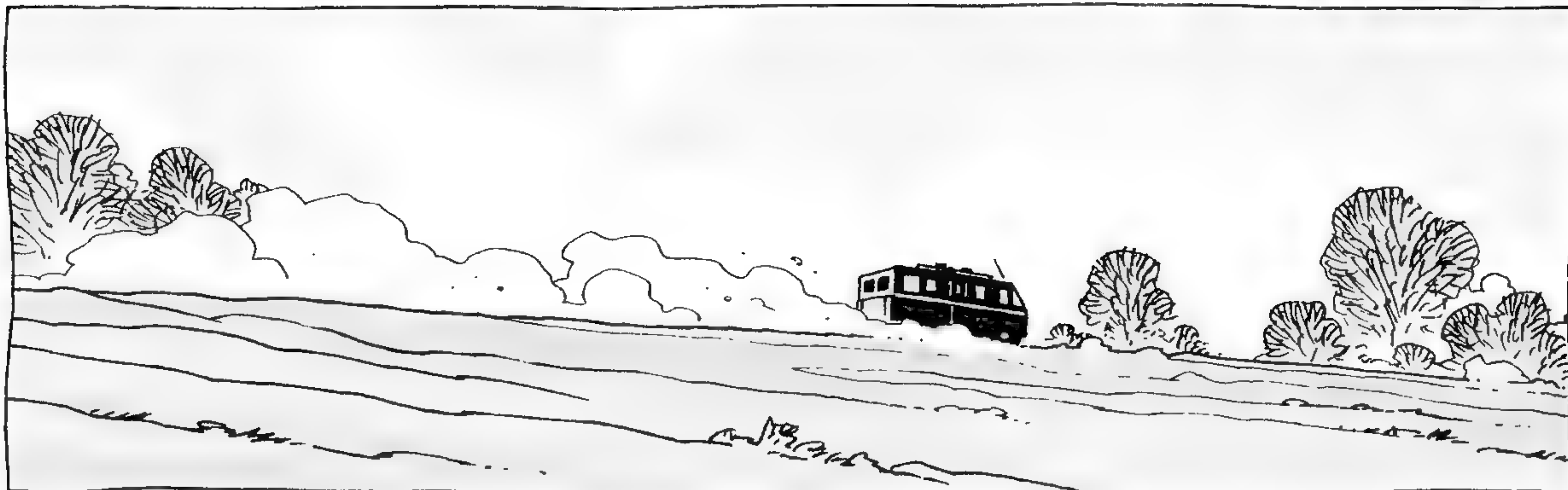
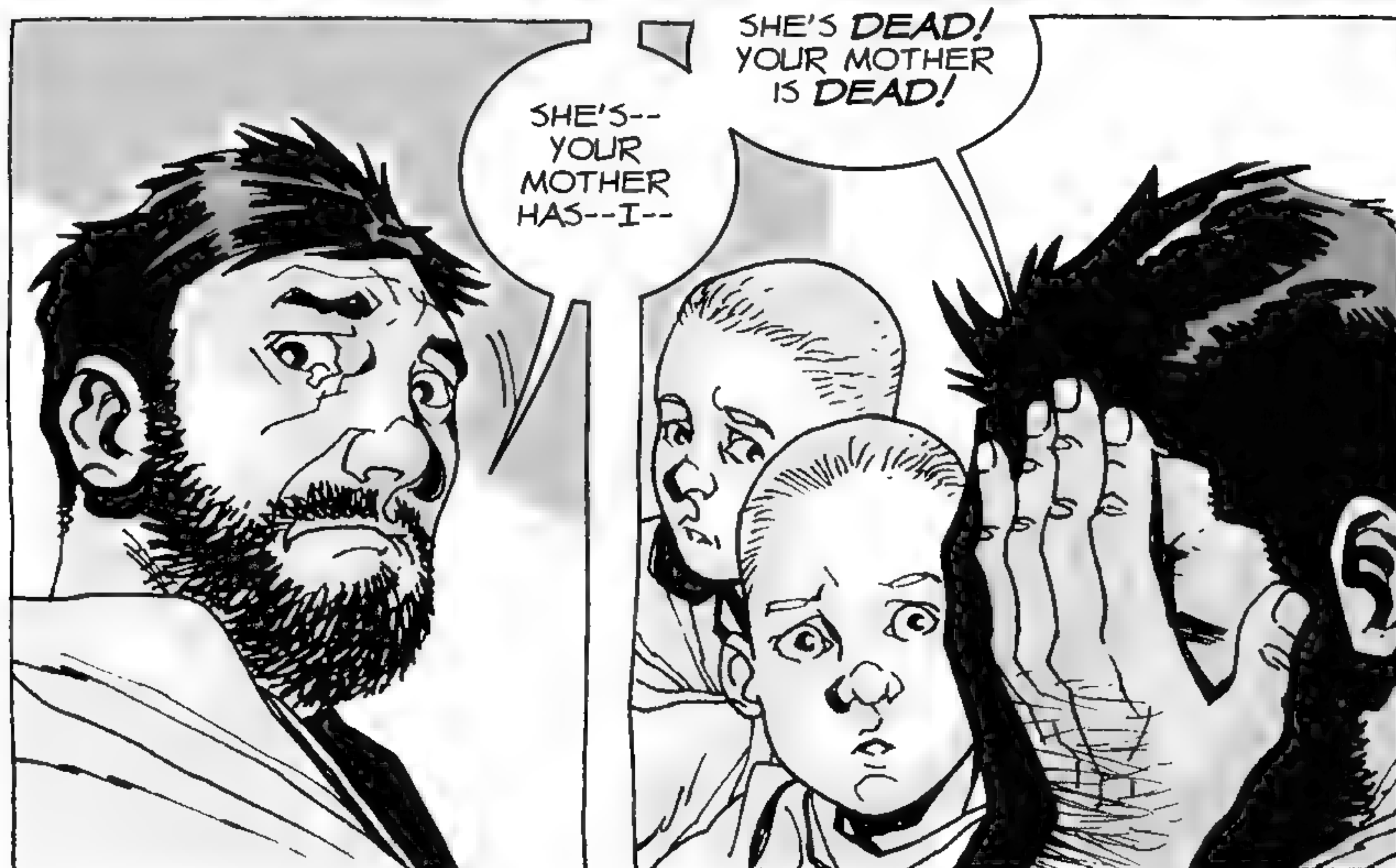
























WE SHOULDN'T  
BE OUT TOO LONG.  
EVEN IF WE DON'T  
FIND ANYTHING WE'LL  
BE BACK BEFORE  
IT GETS  
DARK.

IF YOU  
SEE ANYTHING,  
FIRE A SHOT,  
WE'LL BE BACK  
HERE AS  
SOON AS WE  
CAN.

WE'LL  
BE FINE.  
AS LONG  
AS YOU GO  
GET US  
SOMETHING  
TO EAT.

I'LL  
SEE WHAT  
I CAN  
DO.

CAN I COME  
TOO? I CAN  
HELP. I  
SHOOT REAL  
GOOD.



I KNOW.  
YOU CAN  
COME WITH US,  
BUT DON'T  
SHOOT UNLESS I  
TELL YOU TO. IT'S  
VERY IMPORTANT  
THAT IF WE DO  
FIND SOMETHING  
YOU DON'T  
SCARE IT OFF.

OKAY,  
DAD.



ALL  
RIGHT,  
WE'RE GOING.  
KEEP AN EYE  
ON ALLEN  
WHILE WE'RE  
GONE, OKAY,  
HON'?



WHO KNOWS  
WHAT'S GOING  
THROUGH HIS  
HEAD RIGHT  
NOW.

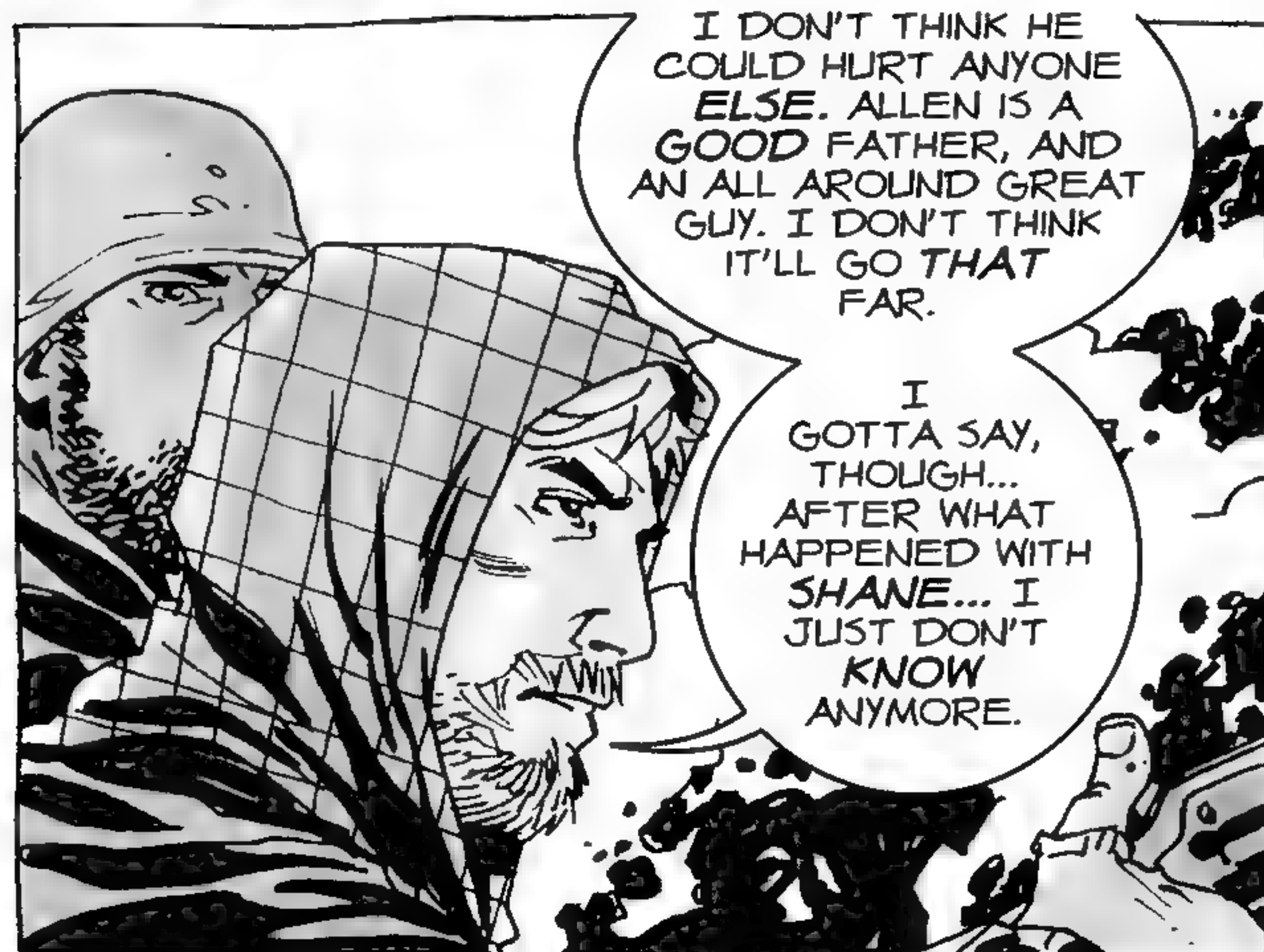
I'M  
AFRAID HE  
MAY HURT  
HIMSELF... OR  
WORSE.





DO YOU **REALLY**  
THINK ALLEN  
MIGHT **HURT**  
HIMSELF?

HE  
WANTED ME  
TO LEAVE HIM  
FOR **DEAD** BACK  
AT THOSE HOUSES  
A WEEK AGO. I  
DON'T KNOW WHAT  
THE MAN'S GOING  
THROUGH... I  
DON'T KNOW  
WHAT HE'S  
**CAPABLE**  
OF.



I DON'T THINK HE  
COULD HURT ANYONE  
**ELSE**. ALLEN IS A  
**GOOD** FATHER, AND  
AN ALL AROUND GREAT  
GUY. I DON'T THINK  
IT'LL GO **THAT**  
FAR.

I  
GOTTA SAY,  
THOUGH...  
AFTER WHAT  
HAPPENED WITH  
**SHANE**... I  
JUST DON'T  
KNOW  
ANYMORE.



YEAH,  
CAROL WAS  
TELLING ME  
ABOUT ALL  
**THAT** THE  
OTHER  
DAY.



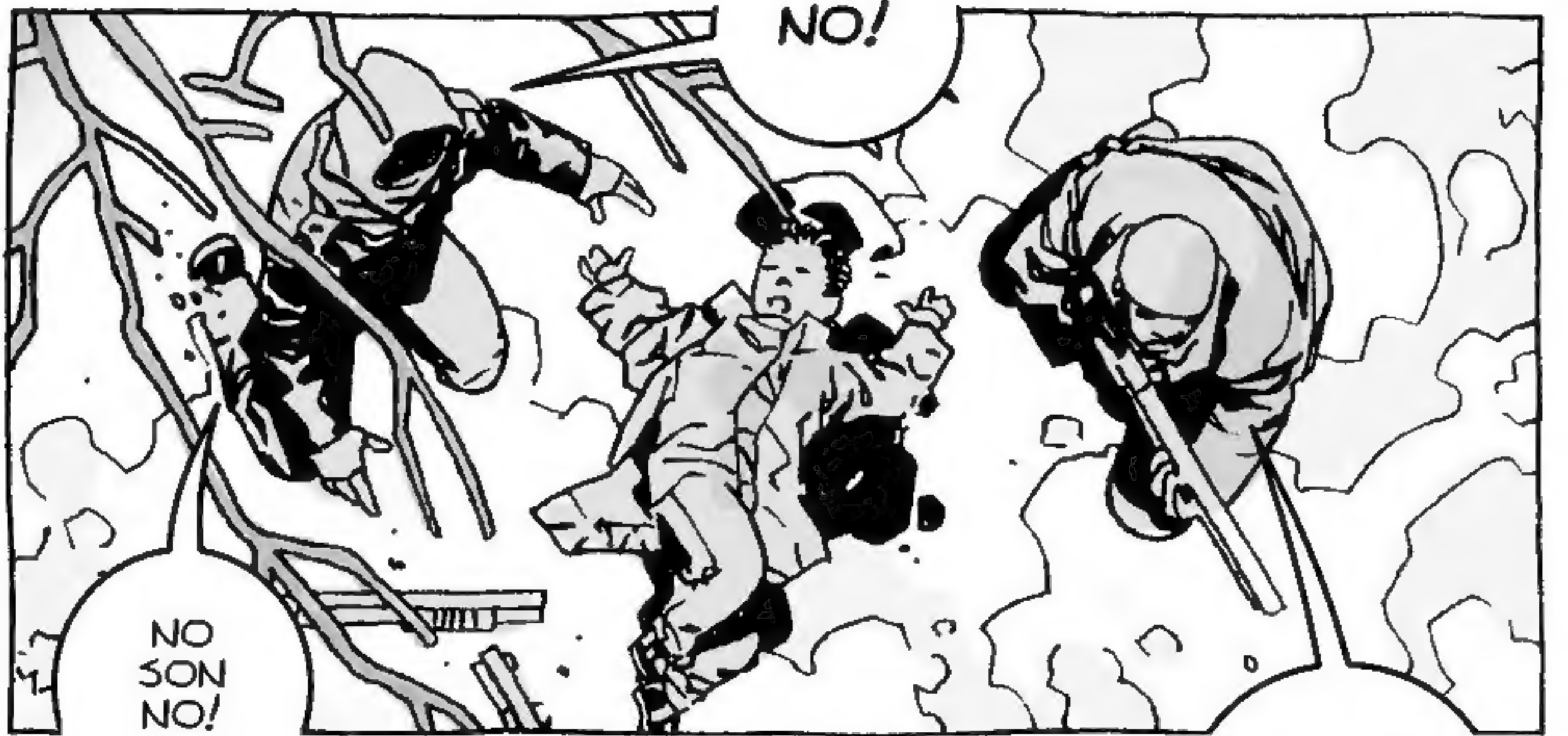
**SHHH!**

DID  
YOU  
HEAR  
THAT?



I  
THINK  
THERE'S  
SOMETHING  
OUT THERE  
UP AHEAD  
OF US.













I'll  
**KILL**  
YOU!

I'll  
**FUCKING**  
KILL YOU!





EMPIRE